

(2) If $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$ is not within the tolerance specified in this paragraph (e), re-optimize the FID response as described in paragraph (c) of this section.

(3) Determine a new $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$ as described in paragraph (d) of this section. Use this new value of $RF_{CH_4[THC-FID]}$ in the calculations for HC determination, as described in § 1065.660.

§ 1065.362 Non-stoichiometric raw exhaust FID O₂ interference verification.

(a) *Scope and frequency.* If you use FID analyzers for raw exhaust measurements from engines that operate in a non-stoichiometric mode of combustion (e.g., compression-ignition, lean-burn), verify the amount of FID O₂ interference upon initial installation and after major maintenance.

(b) *Measurement principles.* Changes in O₂ concentration in raw exhaust can affect FID response by changing FID flame temperature. Optimize FID fuel, burner air, and sample flow to meet this verification. Verify FID performance with the compensation algorithms for FID O₂ interference that you have active during an emission test.

(c) *System requirements.* Any FID analyzer used during testing must meet the FID O₂ interference verification according to the procedure in this section.

(d) *Procedure.* Determine FID O₂ interference as follows:

(1) Select two span reference gases that meet the specifications in § 1065.750 and contain C₃H₈ near 100% of span for HC. You may use CH₄ span reference gases for FIDs calibrated on CH₄ with a nonmethane cutter. Select the two balance gas concentrations such that the concentrations of O₂ and N₂ represent the minimum and maximum O₂ concentrations expected during testing.

(2) Confirm that the FID analyzer meets all the specifications of § 1065.360.

(3) Start and operate the FID analyzer as you would before an emission test. Regardless of the FID burner's air source during testing, use zero air as the FID burner's air source for this verification.

(4) Zero the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing.

(5) Span the FID analyzer using the span gas used during emission testing.

(6) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of sampled data is within $\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(7) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the minimum concentration of O₂ expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as X_{O_2minHC} .

(8) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within $\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(9) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the maximum concentration of O₂ expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as X_{O_2maxHC} .

(10) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within $\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(11) Calculate the percent difference between X_{O_2maxHC} and its reference gas concentration. Calculate the percent difference between X_{O_2minHC} and its reference gas concentration. Determine the maximum percent difference of the two. This is the O₂ interference.

(12) If the O₂ interference is within $\pm 1.5\%$, then the FID passes the O₂ interference check; otherwise perform one or more of the following to address the deficiency:

(i) Select zero and span gases for emission testing that contain higher or lower O₂ concentrations.

(ii) Adjust FID burner air, fuel, and sample flow rates. Note that if you adjust these flow rates to meet the O₂ interference verification, you must re-verify with the adjusted flow rates that

the FID meets the CH₄ response factor verification according to § 1065.360.

(iii) Repair or replace the FID.

(iv) Demonstrate that the deficiency does not adversely affect your ability to demonstrate compliance with the applicable emission standards.

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(d) *Procedure.* Determine FID O₂ interference as follows, noting that you may use one or more gas dividers to create the reference gas concentrations that are required to perform this verification:

(1) Select three span reference gases that contain a C₃H₈ concentration that you use to span your analyzers before emission testing. Use only span gases that meet the specifications of § 1065.750. You may use CH₄ span reference gases for FIDs calibrated on CH₄ with a nonmethane cutter. Select the three balance gas concentrations such that the concentrations of O₂ and N₂ represent the minimum, maximum, and average O₂ concentrations expected during testing. The requirement for using the average O₂ concentration can be removed if you choose to calibrate the FID with span gas balanced with the average expected oxygen concentration.

(2) Confirm that the FID analyzer meets all the specifications of § 1065.360.

(3) Start and operate the FID analyzer as you would before an emission test. Regardless of the FID burner's air source during testing, use zero air as the FID burner's air source for this verification.

(4) Zero the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing.

(5) Span the FID analyzer using a span gas that you use during emission testing.

(6) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of sampled data is within $\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(7) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the minimum concentration of O₂ expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as $x_{O2minHC}$.

(8) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within

$\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(9) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the average concentration of O₂ expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as $x_{O2avgHC}$.

(10) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within $\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(11) Check the analyzer response using the span gas that has the maximum concentration of O₂ expected during testing. Record the mean response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data as $x_{O2maxHC}$.

(12) Check the zero response of the FID analyzer using the zero gas used during emission testing. If the mean zero response of 30 seconds of stabilized sample data is within $\pm 0.5\%$ of the span reference value used in paragraph (d)(5) of this section, then proceed to the next step; otherwise restart the procedure at paragraph (d)(4) of this section.

(13) Calculate the percent difference between $x_{O2maxHC}$ and its reference gas concentration. Calculate the percent difference between $x_{O2avgHC}$ and its reference gas concentration. Calculate the percent difference between $x_{O2minHC}$ and its reference gas concentration. Determine the maximum percent difference of the three. This is the O₂ interference.

(14) If the O₂ interference is within $\pm 2\%$, the FID passes the O₂ interference verification; otherwise perform one or more of the following to address the deficiency:

(i) Repeat the verification to determine if a mistake was made during the procedure.

(ii) Select zero and span gases for emission testing that contain higher or lower O₂ concentrations and repeat the verification.

(iii) Adjust FID burner air, fuel, and sample flow rates. Note that if you adjust these flow rates on a THC FID to meet the O₂ interference verification, you have reset RF_{CH4} for the next RF_{CH4} verification according to § 1065.360. Repeat the O₂ interference verification after adjustment and determine RF_{CH4} .

(iv) Repair or replace the FID and repeat the O₂ interference verification.

(v) Demonstrate that the deficiency does not adversely affect your ability to demonstrate compliance with the applicable emission standards.